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Employment History

Troy University
Sorrell College of Business
Johnson Center for Political Economy
Department of Economics and Finance

Associate Chair, Economics and Finance
(July 2015 – present)

Associate Professor of Economics
(August 2015-present)

Assistant Professor of Economics
(August 2011 – July 2015)

Education

Ph.D., Economics—May 2011
West Virginia University, Morgantown, West Virginia
Dissertation Title: "An Analysis of Strategic Interaction Between Government Jurisdictions"

B.B.A., Economics (major), Mathematics (minor)—May 2007 (Summa Cum Laude)
Mercer University, Macon, Georgia

Research Interests

Public Economics, Constitutional Economics, Political Economy, State and Local Public Finance, Applied Microeconomics, Spatial Econometrics

Publications in Refereed Journals

"Term Limits, Time Horizons, and Electoral Accountability." 2016. *Public Choice* 168(1-2): 23-42. (With J. Sebastian Leguizamon).

"Public Sector Unions and Government Policy: Reexamining The Effects of Political Contributions and Collective Bargaining Rights." Forthcoming (accepted June 2016). *Public Finance Review*. (With Scott A. Beaulier).

"Voter Preferences, Institutions, and Economic Freedom." Forthcoming (accepted November 2015). *Contemporary Economic Policy*. (With John A. Dove and Daniel Sutter).

Publications in Refereed Journals (continued)

"Did You Say That Voting is Ridiculous?: Using *South Park* to Teach Public Choice." 2015. *Journal of Private Enterprise* 30(3): 103-109. (With Adam J. Hoffer).
*This paper won 2015's Best Educational Note in *Journal of Private Enterprise*

"Local Intergovernmental Competition and the Law of 1/n." 2015. *Southern Economic Journal* 81(3): 742-768.

"Do Intergovernmental Grants Create Ratchets in State and Local Taxes?" 2014. *Public Choice* 158(1): 167-187. (With Russell S. Sobel).

"Dynastic Political Privilege and Electoral Accountability: The Case of U.S. Governors, 1950-2005." 2013. *Economic Inquiry* 51(1): 735-746. (With William S. Reece).

"Spatial Dependence in Constitutional Constraints: The Case of U.S. States." 2012. *Constitutional Political Economy* 23(2): 134-165.

"Does Fiscal Decentralization Constrain Leviathan? New Evidence from Local Property Tax Competition." 2011. *Public Choice* 149(1-2): 5-30. (With Russell S. Sobel).

"Institutions, Capital, and Growth." 2010. *Southern Economic Journal* 77(2): 385-405. (With Joshua C. Hall and Russell S. Sobel).

"Adam Smith: Managerial Insights from the Father of Economics." 2010. *Journal of Management History* 16(4): 504-508. (With Russell S. Sobel).

Working Papers

"Heterogeneity and Constitutional Choice."

"Diffusion of Corruption Across the U.S. States: Some Empirical Evidence." (With John A. Dove).

"Dynastic Political Privilege and Electoral Accountability." (With William S. Reece).

"Earmarking Tax Revenues: Leviathan's Secret Weapon?" (With Adam J. Hoffer).

"Phony Federalism: Fiscal Decentralization under a Centralized Constitution."

Policy Papers

"Case Studies in the Political Economy of Tax Reform." 2016. *Mercatus Research*.

"The Effects of Dedicating Tax Revenues." 2012. *Mercatus on Policy*, No. 109. (With Adam J. Hoffer).

"Ratcheting Taxes." 2010. *Mercatus on Policy*, No. 82. (With Russell S. Sobel).

Book Chapters

"Tax Breaks, Job Creation, and the Unseen: Is Alabama Giving Away the Store to Attract New Industry?" 2015. Chapter 8 in *Improving Lives in Alabama: A Vision for Economic Freedom and Prosperity*.

"The Need for Constitutional Constraints on Government." 2015. Chapter 2 in *Improving Lives in Alabama: A Vision for Economic Freedom and Prosperity*.

"Constitutionally Constrain Government to Promote Freedom and Prosperity." 2012. Chapter 14 in Clark, J.R. (Ed.), *Freedom and Prosperity in Tennessee*. (With Daniel Sutter).

Book Reviews

Review of Richard Wagner, "Deficits, Debt, and Democracy." 2016. *Review of Austrian Economics* 29(3): 327-330.

Review of Gunnar Trumbull, "Strength in Numbers: The Political Power of Weak Interests." 2014. *Public Choice* 158(1): 285-288.

Review of John Snape, "The Political Economy of Corporation Tax: Theory, Values and Law Reform." 2013. *The Law and Politics Book Review* 23(1): 13-16.

Publications in Popular/Media Outlets

"No, Your Friends are Probably Not Moving to Canada." Learn Liberty Blog. May 26,2016.

"Election 2016 is Here; Get Your Popcorn Ready." Learn Liberty Blog. April 8, 2016.

"Together They Bargain?" Op-ed on RealClearPolicy.com. November 18, 2014. (With Scott A Beaulier).

"Treasury's latest solution to corporate 'inversion' underscores problems with tax code." Op-ed on AL.com (reprinted in several Alabama newspapers). October 16, 2014.

"'Creative' accounting hurts future generations." Op-ed on AL.com (reprinted in several Alabama newspapers). October 9, 2013.

Publications in Popular/Media Outlets (continued)

"Congratulations, Alabamians: Today we start keeping our income." Op-ed on AL.com (reprinted in several Alabama newspapers). April 5, 2013.

Teaching Experience

Troy University
Public Choice (ECO 6660—Masters Level), Fall 2015
Econometrics (ECO 4457), Spring 2016, Spring 2014
Intermediate Microeconomics (ECO 3352), Fall 2016, Fall 2014, Fall 2013
Public Finance (ECO 4453), Spring 2015, Spring 2013
Economic and Moral Foundations of Capitalism (ECO 4456), Spring 2012
Principles of Microeconomics (ECO 2252), Spring/Fall 2016, Spring/Fall 2015, Spring/Fall 2014, Spring/Fall 2013, Spring/Fall 2012, Fall 2011
Principles of Macroeconomics (ECO 2251), Fall 2011

West Virginia University
Regional Economics (ECON 461), Fall 2010
Public Economics (ECON 441), Summer 2010
Principles of Microeconomics (ECON 201), Fall 2009 (large section), Summer 2009

Invited Academic Presentations

"Diffusion of Corruption Across the U.S. States: Some Empirical Evidence," November 2014, West Virginia University, Morgantown, WV

"Do Intergovernmental Grants Create Ratchets in State and Local Taxes?: Testing the Friedman-Sanford Hypothesis," February 2011, Mercer University, Macon, GA

Conference Presentations

"The Law of 1/n Revisited," Southern Economic Association, November 2016 (scheduled), Washington, DC

"Term Limits, Time Horizons, and Electoral Accountability," Southern Economic Association, November 2015, New Orleans, LA

"Earmarking Tax Revenues: Leviathan's Secret Weapon?" Public Choice Society, March 2015, San Antonio, TX

"Diffusion of Corruption Across the U.S. States: Some Empirical Evidence," Southern Economic Association, November 2014, Atlanta, GA

"The Need for Constitutional Constraints on Government," Association of Private Enterprise Education, April 2014, Las Vegas, NV

Conference Presentations (continued)

"Public Sector Unions and Government Policy: The Effects of Political Contributions and Collective Bargaining Rights Reexamined," Southern Economic Association, November 2013, Tampa, FL

"Phony Federalism," Southern Economic Association, November 2012, New Orleans, LA

"Testing Rawls: Heterogeneity and Constitutional Choice," Association of Private Enterprise Education, April 2012, Las Vegas, NV

"Testing Rawls: Heterogeneity and Constitutional Choice," Southern Economic Association, November 2011, Washington, DC

"Spatial Dependence in Constitutional Constraints: The Case of U.S. States," Association of Private Enterprise Education, April 2011, Nassau, Bahamas

"Spatial Dependence in Constitutional Constraints: The Case of U.S. States," Public Choice Society, March 2011, San Antonio, TX

"Does Fiscal Decentralization Constrain Leviathan? New Evidence from Local Property Tax Competition," Southern Economic Association, November 2010, Atlanta, GA

"Does Fiscal Decentralization Constrain Leviathan? New Evidence from Local Property Tax Competition," Association of Private Enterprise Education, April 2010, Las Vegas, NV

Media Appearances

Troy Trojanvision (Televeision). "EconVersations." Topic: Public Choice and Elections. November 2015.

Troy Trojanvision (Televeision). "EconVersations." Topic: Economic Freedom and Congressional Voting. May 2015.

Troy Trojanvision (Televeision). "EconVersations." Topic: Tax Incentives in Alabama. January 2015.

Quoted on *WalletHub.com*. "2014's Richest and Poorest States," by Richie Bernardo. January 2015.

Troy Trojanvision (Televeision). "EconVersations." Topic: *South Park* and Economics. November 2014.

Troy Trojanvision (Televeision). "EconVersations." Topic: Term Limits. April 2014.

Media Appearances (continued)

WKEA-FM, Scottsboro, AL (Radio). "Tennessee Valley Today." Topic: Unfunded Liabilities and National Debt. October 20, 2013.

WTKI-AM/FM, Decatur, AL (Radio). "Fred Holland." Topic: Unfunded Liabilities and National Debt. October 17, 2013.

KCMN-AM, Colorado Springs, CO (Radio). "Tron in the Morning." Topic: Unfunded Liabilities and National Debt. October 15, 2013.

Quoted in *Tropolitan* (Troy University student newspaper). "Government shutdown hits Troy University, economists and leaders speak up," by Karli Mauldin. October 10, 2013.

Troy Trojanvision (Televeision). "EconVersations." Topic: Constitutional Economics. October 2013.

Quoted in *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*, "$81 million in the balance for St. Louis County children," by Nancy Cambria. December 24, 2012.

"Inside State and Local Policy." Topic: Earmarking Tax Revenues. Mercatus Center (Podcast). July 2012.

Troy Trojanvision (Television). "EconVersations." Topic: Earmarking Tax Revenues. May 2012.

Troy Trojanvision (Television). "EconVersations." Topic: Growth of Government. October 2011.

Other Conference Participation, Teaching, & Professional Development

Association of Private Enterprise Education, April 2016, Las Vegas, NV
Panelist

Southern Economic Association, November 2015, New Orleans, LA
Discussant

Students for Liberty Regional Conference, October 2015, Birmingham, AL
Invited Speaker

Institute for Humane Studies Seminar, October 2015, Washington, DC
Participant

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Other Conference Participation, Teaching, & Professional Development (continued)

Institute for Humane Studies Seminar, July 2015, Washington, DC
Participant

Institute for Humane Studies Summer Seminar, July 2015, Philadelphia, PA
Faculty Lecturer

Federalist Society, June 2015, Montgomery, AL
Guest Speaker

Public Choice Society, March 2015, San Antonio, TX
Discussant

Institute for Humane Studies Liberty Lunch, February 2015, Montgomery, AL
Invited Speaker

Southern Economic Association, November 2014, Atlanta, GA
Discussant

Public Lecture "Public Choice and the Growth of Government," November 2014, West Virginia University, Morgantown, WV

Learn Liberty Academy In Depth Program, "Subliminal Lessons from 'South Park': A Super Primer on Economics and Politics" October 2014, Online; Faculty Lecturer

Students for Liberty Regional Conference, October 2014, New Orleans, LA
Invited Speaker

Learn Liberty Academy Live! Program, "The Economics of 'South Park,'" October 2014, Online; Faculty Lecturer

Institute for Humane Studies Summer Seminar, June 2014, Philadelphia, PA
Faculty Lecturer

Institute for Humane Studies Weekend Seminar, March 2014, Tallahassee, FL
Faculty Lecturer

Southern Economic Association, November 2013, Tampa, FL
Discussant

Students for Liberty Regional Conference, October 2013, Dallas, TX
Invited Speaker

Institute for Humane Studies Summer Seminar, July 2013, Philadelphia, PA
Faculty Lecturer

Other Conference Participation, Teaching, & Professional Development (continued)

Clemson University Institute for the Study of Capitalism, Moral Foundations of Capitalism Conference, May 2013, Clemson, SC

Southern Economic Association, November 2012, New Orleans, LA
Session Chair, Discussant

Philadelphia Society, Regional Meeting, October 2012, Memphis, TN

Jack Miller Center Summer Institute, July 2012, Chicago, IL
Fellow

Institute for Humane Studies Summer Seminar, June 2012, Orange, CA
Faculty Lecturer

Association of Private Enterprise Education, April 2012, Las Vegas, NV
Session Chair

Gus A. Stavros Center for Economic Education at Florida State University, February 2012, Tallahassee, FL
Participant; Topic: "Creative Teaching Ideas for Your Basic Economics Course"

Southern Economic Association, November 2011, Washington, DC
Discussant

DeVoe Moore Center at Florida State University, February 2011, Tallahassee, FL
Participant; Topic: "Public Choice in a Local Government Setting."

Southern Economic Association, November 2010, Atlanta, GA
Session Chair, Discussant

Institute for Humane Studies Advanced Topics Seminar, November 2009, Arlington, VA
Participant; Topic: "Socialism After Hayek."

Grants and Awards

Journal of Private Enterprise Best Educational Note Award 2015 for "Did You Say Voting is Ridiculous? Using *South Park* to Teach Public Choice."

Troy University Faculty Development Grant (October 2013, October 2014, March 2015, October 2015)

Mercatus Center at George Mason University, Research, May 2015
"State Tax Reform"

Grants and Awards (continued)

Mercatus Center at George Mason University, Research, August 2012
"Public Sector Unions," with Scott Beaulier

Alabama Policy Institute, Research, May-July 2012
"Tax Incentive Packages and Job Creation in Alabama"

Mercatus Center at George Mason University, Research, September-December 2011
"Dedicating Tax Revenues," with Adam Hoffer

Mercatus Center at George Mason University, Research, May-August 2010
"Do Intergovernmental Grants Create Ratchets in State and Local Taxes?" with Russell S. Sobel

Kaiser Best Doctoral Student Award, October 2010
Annual award given to the top Ph.D. student in economics at West Virginia University.

Jon Vilasuso Doctoral Student Publication Award, October 2010
Award given to Ph.D. students in economics at West Virginia University in recognition of having a paper accepted in a peer reviewed academic journal.

Charles G. Koch Doctoral Fellowship (2010-2011)
One of two such fellowships awarded to promising scholars in public economics in the Ph.D. program in economics at West Virginia University.

Arlen G. and Louise Stone Swiger Doctoral Fellowship (2007-2010)
One of twelve such fellowships awarded to the top incoming Ph.D. students in all departments at West Virginia University.

Association of Private Enterprise Education Young Scholar Award (2008, 2010)

Service to University, College, and Department

Member of Troy University Faculty Senate (August 2016-present)

Member of University Personnel Advisory Committee (August 2015-present)

Member of College Faculty Qualifications Committee (February 2014-present)

Member of Search Committee for New Economics Faculty (Fall 2015-present)

Member of Search Committee for Johnson Center Director (February-May 2015)

Member of Economics Assessment Committee (May 2013-present)

Service to University, College, and Department (continued)

Member of Search Committee for New Economics Faculty (Fall 2012)

Member of Search Committee for New Economics Faculty (Fall 2012-Spring 2013)

Member of Committee to Redesign Undergraduate Business Minor (December 2012)

Co-organizer of Economics and Finance Faculty Research Workshop (2013-2015)

Discussion Leader for APGAR Undergraduate Reading Group (2012-2014)

Professional Memberships

American Economic Association, Southern Economic Association, Public Choice Society, Western Economic Association, Association of Private Enterprise Education

Referee Service for Academic Journals

Public Choice	*Southern Economic Journal*	*Constitutional Political Economy*
Independent Review	*American Journal of Entrepreneurship*	*British Journal of Political Science*
Publius	*Contemporary Economic Policy*	*Journal of Economic Growth*
Social Science Quarterly	*Public Budgeting and Finance*	*Journal of Entrepreneurship and Public Policy*
European Journal of Political Economy		

References

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